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Subject: FW: Revised Desk Statement

Here is our revised desk statement on the fire. Additionally, here is the link to TCEQ's website where they posted a PR this afternoon <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/response/itc-terminal-fire-update> . We are still working on the EN related inquiry and the inquiry from the NBC affiliate regarding the ASPECT plane etc.

From: Assunto, Carmen
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Removed last sentence per discussion.

DESK STATEMENT

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) are working with Unified Command in response to a fire at the Intercontinental Terminals Corporation (ITC) Deer Park facility near Houston, TX. The Unified Command consists of EPA, TCEQ, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), Harris County Pollution Control Services (HCPCS) and ITC. Emergency responders continue to use foam to control and prevent spreading of the fire. EPA has conducted air monitoring with the Airborne Spectral Photometric Environmental Collection Technology aircraft (ASPECT) and has not measured any significant detections in the vicinity and downwind of the incident.

Sincerely,

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